MR. G. VELU PILLAI : May I know whether there is any Visha Vaidyasala in Central Travancore which is given a grant now ?

MR. C. P. GOPALA PANICKER : I have no information at present. I claim notice.

MR. G. VELU PILLAI : May I know, Sir, whether Government will be pleased to reconsider the case of this particular Visha Vaidyan?

MR. C. P. GOPALA PANICKER : The matter will be looked into.

Karingal Water Supply.

92. *MR. C. JEBAMONY NADAR (*Kalkulam* cum *Vilavankod*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether the scarcity of drinking water in Karingal and suburbs has been brought to their notice ; and

(*b*) whether any water supply scheme has been proposed ?

MR. I. C. CHACKO : (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Yes.

MR. C. JEBAMONY NADAR : May I know what has happened to the Scheme ?

MR. I. C. CHACKO : Detailed investigation is being conducted.

Reorganisation of the Excise Department.

93. *MR. KANNANTHODATH JANARDANAN NAIR : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) the number of temporary staff continuing as such after Mr. C. O. Madhavan's reorganisation of the Excise Department ;

(*b*) the time for which they were continuing as temporary staff ; and

(*c*) the total amount of money disbursed as pay and allowances to these officers per annum ?

MR. P. G. NARAYANAN UNNITHAN : (*a*) Of the temporary staff sanctioned during the reorganisation of 1113 the following officers are now continuing as temporary :

Inspectors	2
Clerks	3
Petty Officer	1
Peons	2

(*b*) From 1-4-1113.

(*c*) The total amount of money disbursed as pay and allowances to these officers per annum is Rs. 3,432.

Gun firing at Trivandrum.

94. *MR. G. VELU PILLAI : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) the place from where the gun is fired at 5 a. m., 12 noon and 8 p. m. daily in Trivandrum ;

(*b*) the reasons for choosing that particular place ;

(*c*) whether Government have considered the desirability of firing the gun from a more central place in the City ; and

(*d*) the total cost incurred daily for firing the gun ?

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RAJYASEVAPRAVINA G. PARAMESWARAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*) :

(*a*) Pangode.

(*b*) Because the Artillery firing the gun has been shifted from the old cantonment to Pangode.

(*c*) The matter is under consideration.

(*d*) Rs. four approximately.

Export of timber during 1116.

95. *MR. P. NARAYANA PILLAI : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) the total quantity of timber exported from Travancore during 1116 M. E., and

(*b*) the amount realised from that ?

MR. P. G. NARAYANAN UNNITHAN :

(*a*) The quantity of timber exported from Travancore during 1116 is as follows :

1	Jackwood planks and logs	3953	c. ft.
2	Mangowood planks and logs	90251	,,
3	Teakwood	263703	,,
4	Sandalwood	24	tons
5	Other hardwood	414505	c. ft.
6	Other kinds of wood and timber	664592	,,

(*b*) A total sum of Rs. 19,278 was realised on account of duty on jackwood and mangowood planks and logs exported during 1116.

Idapally-Thevankulangara—Cheranallur road.

96. *MR. A. K. KUMARAN VAIDYAN : Will the Government be pleased to state whether they have begun the work of the Edapally-Thevankulangara—Cheranallur road and if so, when, and the amount sanctioned for the same ?

MR. I. C. CHACKO : No.

Manufacture of sweet toddy.

97. *MR. A. K. KUMARAN VAIDYAN : Will the Government be pleased to state whether the Director of Industries has submitted any programme for the improvement of the manufacture of sweet toddy in Parur taluk and if so, what steps they have taken in the matter ?

MR. P. G. NARAYANAN UNNITHAN : The Director of Industries submitted no scheme for improving "the manufacture of sweet toddy in the Parur taluk." But he submitted a scheme for the manufacture of jaggery from sweet toddy to relieve distress among tappers. This scheme was duly investigated but has been laid aside for the present on account of the practical difficulties of working it.

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